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A Nightmare on Main Street

Acushnet's Halloween Horror House

By Kenneth J. Souza

The gleeful sound of costumed children cackling is most often associated with Halloween this time of year. But kids certainly don't have a monopoly on the Feast of All Hallow's Eve.

In fact, there's one decidedly older Halloween fan in Acushnet who goes to extremes that are usually reserved for Christmas in celebrating this night of ghouls and goblins ... and if you've crept past his house on Main Street within the last month, you've certainly been struck by the sight of Dr. Frankenstein and his monstrous creation, Count Dracula hanging from an overhead limb, silent stalker Michael Myers peering over the bushes, or the Crypt Keeper rising from his coffin.

No, this isn't the backlot of Universal Studios. It's the backyard of Edmond Richard of Acushnet — a man who has been solely responsible for turning his property into an annual Halloween tradition for the past 14 years.

"I've always been fascinated with Halloween, ever since I was a kid," Mr. Richard said. "(My parents) didn't have a lot of money, so I used to make my own (Halloween) costumes and masks."

This self-reliant skill led to Mr. Richard's near-obsession with the masquerade of Halloween, and to celebrating his favorite holiday by turning his front yard into a graveyard. "When I started decorating my house in 1982, I started very small," he said. "I had about four or five mannequins out front ... and it's gotten bigger and bigger ever since."

This year's display is comprised of some 70 different mannequins, dressed in full costume and with scary masks — many of which were hand-fashioned by Mr. Richard himself. From the lurking green face of the Creature from the Black Lagoon to the sullen specter of Freddy Krueger from *A Nightmare on Elm Street* rising from the ground, Mr. Richard's display not only celebrates the thrill of Halloween, but revels in it.

"This is all done in good fun," Mr. Richard said. "I've had people come here and call me a Satan-worshipper and say I'm part of a cult. That's just not true. I like kids and I do this for them."

Indeed, children of all ages seem to be attracted to Mr. Richard's Nightmare on Main Street. During a recent sunny afternoon, parents were escorting their sons and daughters up the narrow walkway to peer at the ghosts and witches which hang from the porch.

In addition, Mr. Richard takes advantage of the holiday festivities to help a worthwhile cause. Although he personally accepts no money from the many visitors who come to see his creations — or pay their respects, depending on their state — he does encourage people to donate to the Shrine Club of Southeastern Massachusetts, which helps patients at the Shrine Hospitals for Children. Last year, Mr. Richard managed to raise $2,112.62. This year he's raised $1,400 so far, and he hopes to meet or beat last year's record by the end of the week.

"My friend, Gus Cote, asked me if I would help the Shriners," Mr. Richard said. "I never collected anything before ... but all the money goes to the kids. This year we're trying to beat last year's total ... but we started a week late and the (recent) rain storm kept people away."

Mr. Richard also stressed that there's something for everyone in his traditional display, including a place in the backyard for little kids with some more "friendly" creatures like Casper the Ghost. "Two- and three-year-olds go back there and they love it," he said. "There's nothing too gory for

On the cover: *A portion of Edmond Richard's backyard ... er ... graveyard located on Main Street in Acushnet. Mr. Richard has been setting up his elaborate Halloween display for the past 14 years. (Photo by Kenneth J. Souza).*

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them."

Like many Halloween lovers, Mr. Richard is an avid fan of horror movies, although he tends to shy away from the more contemporary and violent "slasher" films.

"I don't like the new horror films where they rip people up," Mr. Richard said. "I'm from the era of Frankenstein, the Wolf Man, and Dracula. You could relate to them ... and people don't realize that you never saw anyone kill anybody. Frankenstein threw one guy off a building, but that's it. With Count Dracula, you just put him in a room and he scares you. There was nothing gory about them."

In keeping with a true sense of the macabre, Mr. Richard also removes the heads of his key outdoor figures so that vandals won't ruin or steal them. Mr. Richard said he climbs aboard his riding mower and drives about the yard literally decapitating each creation at night. He then takes on the role of Dr. Frankenstein the next morning, sticking the styrofoam heads back onto the headless torsos. Despite the incredible amount of work this entails, he still seems to enjoy it.

"I've got about 150 rats in the yard ... and hands that move in the ground," Mr. Richard said, describing his more elaborate designs. "And the

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Crypt Keeper from *Tales from the Crypt* comes out of his coffin."

Mr. Richard also tries to infuse his morbid monstrosities with positive messages — many of which are delivered with a dark sense of humor. "I've got a lot of messages on the tombstones all over the yard," he said. "I essentially use messages of anti-drugs, anti-smoking, and anti-drinking."

One such anti-drinking motif is clearly displayed in the witch which is plastered (pun intended) to the tree right outside Mr. Richard's front gate — her broom tilted at an awkward angle beneath her, a can of beer gripped in one hand. The

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Two-time Emmy award winner Bill Meikle will bring his interactive and educational characterization of Benjamin Franklin to life in a production titled *Franklin Alive!* The event will take place at the Unitarian Memorial Church in Fairhaven on Saturday, November 2 at 8:00 pm.

Mr. Meikle is hard put to describe what he does, save to say it has been critically well-received. "It is chance driven theater, each performance made up out of the audience's interest and questions," he said. "I 'Frankle,' that's the word for it. The theater doesn't happen until the audience makes it happen by buying the lie of the circumstances, and then accepting and participating. I 'Frankle' audiences make me 'Frankle' through inquiry, through argument, through shared feelings and laughter."

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Mattapoisett Selectmen's Meeting

October 29, 1996

By Dionne F. Richmond

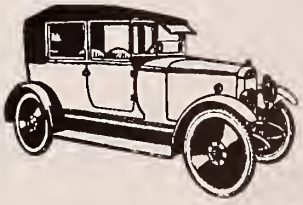
A regular meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday October 29, 1996 at 7:00 pm by Selectman Michele C. Bernier. Also present was Selectman Paul E. Lambalot and Executive Secretary Carol Adams. Chairman John N. DeCosta was not present at the meeting

The Board met with James Egan, Principal of Old Rochester Regional High School to discuss a community service proposal. Principal Egan requested permission from the Board to allow students to participate in two projects involving the community. He suggested bringing in a group of students to complete a project which would be positive for the community. In the past they have cleaned up beaches and roads but this year he said he hoped for something a little different and more creative.

Selectman Bernier mentioned a photo essay for the Open Space Committee. Mr. Egan said he was sure that some photo students would be willing to assist doing the photo essay. The bigger project has yet to be determined but some suggestions from audience members included cleaning up tennis courts or cleaning up the library grounds.

"Community service is not only important, it's necessary for self growth and for the community," said Mr. Egan. He added that he believed community service might be a requirement down the road.

Incoming correspondence for the week included two letters from Police Chief James Moran congratulating Sheriff Peter Forman of the Plymouth County Correctional facility on his successful inmate program and thanking him for his help. Inmates painted exterior trim, five full rooms and stairway walls and railing at the police station for 13



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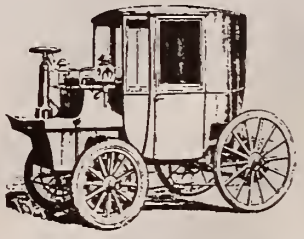

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A notice was also received from the Fire Department informing the Board that a new shipment of batteries and smoke detectors has been delivered to the department. Those who need batteries replaced or new smoke detectors should call the Fire Department any weekday morning to request and appointment.

A letter was also received from Mr. Merle McMaster of Church Street concerning the water problem on Church Street and Pepperbush Lane. In the letter he states the correct way to alleviate the current situation is to build a run-off basin below the police station and to require similar basins for any additional development along that area of Route 6. "The most surprising thing that was learned during this entire scenario was the fact that the run-off from the Police Station parking lot and a portion of Hubbards Way flows directly through a 14"-18" concrete pipe into the wetlands, just below the recently constructed sewer line that was built from the funeral home to Church Street." He also said the long-term solution would be to appoint a sub-

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At that time the Board met with Wesley Bowman, Highway Surveyor who expressed his frustration with some Church Street neighbors who opposed his ideas to solve the water problem. He said fighting wasn't going to solve anybody's problems. He also said he met with the town engineer Arthur Thompson who wants to hold off drawing up a plan until a study of the piping and the brook was completed. Mr. Bowman said a swale would solve the water problem but added that the

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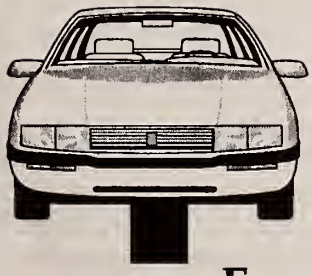

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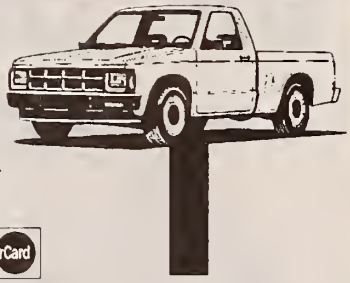

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Selectman Bernier suggested contacting the Buzzards Bay Project to get free technical advice from them. "Why bring them in if we don't have to?" asked Mr. Bowman. Selectman Bernier said they would provide free designs, but Mr. Bowman was concerned they weren't familiar with the area. Selectman Bernier said they were experienced dealing with wetlands.

Finding out how much water is going down there is a top priority he said. "We need a path back there to make a swale...it's got to do downhill to the brook, that's the nearest spot," he said. Selectman Bernier said they needed to come up with a practical solution. She said a swale would mean digging a trench in order for water to come out faster. Mr. Bowman said leaves would eventually slow down the water flow.

Selectman Lambalot said since the town engineer knows the town they should get an estimate to see how much a study would cost. "I think we're trying to get water off the property. We never had rain like that ever," he explained. Mr. McMaster said he spoke with the BBP who said the swale would increase the relocation of water coming down. He added that they didn't have adequate storm system for that. "Basin technology is well established," he said. "There is going to be further development along Route 6...as such you are going

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to have the same problem unless you attack the source you're not going to get rid or it," he said.

Selectman Bernier made a motion that the BBP study the area before they spend the money to hire engineers. "I'd like them to work with him," suggested Selectman Lambalot. The BBP will report to the Board of Selectmen and is expected to work in cooperation with the town engineer. "There's a lot of emotions running high when you have 100 year storms running lose," said Selectman Bernier. Selectman Lambalot seconded her motion with the understanding the two groups would work together.

All those who have received the Open Space/Recreational Committee surveys are urged to return them as soon as possible. There has been a good response so far, but atleast 70 percent of them need to be returned to complete the scientific survey.

There being no further business before the Board to discuss they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 8:20 pm.

Marion Selectmen's Meeting

October 29 , 1996

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, October 29 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Jonathan "Jody" Dickerson. Also present were Selectman Loretta B.

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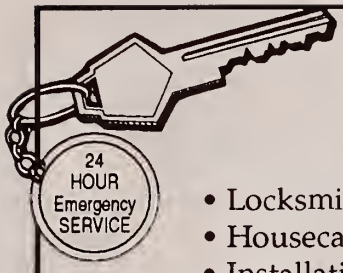

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At 7:00 pm the board met with Arthur E. Parks and his wife, Betsy, to discuss property he owns along Ichabod Lane (Map 22A, Lots 27 and 29). Selectman Winters excused himself from the proceedings, as he is related to Mr. and Ms. Parks via marriage.

Mr. and Ms. Parks were contesting the assessment of these lots as part of a betterment sewer project which was installed along Ichabod Lane. After describing the parcels in question and showing photographs to the board, Mr. Parks said that one of the lots is at the rear of another piece of

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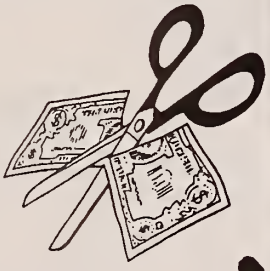

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property and is unbuildable. "How can I be assessed for a betterment when I can't even use the property?" Mr. Parks asked.

Chairman Dickerson said that in order to verify this contention, he would have to get a formal determination from the Conservation Commission, proving the lot is unbuildable. The board thereby advised Mr. and Ms. Parks to schedule a meeting with the ConCom and request a determination on the lot. "When you get a determination, you can come back to us," Chairman Dickerson said.

The board voted to appoint Michael Smith and Kevin Paulsen as Special Police Officers with a majority vote — Chairman Dickerson abstained. They also granted a request to use Bicentennial Park on June 14, 1997 for a wedding ceremony, and approved a request for an All-Alcoholic License for a Scholarship Dinner Dance to be held at the VFW Pavilion on Route 6 on November 2.

At 7:15 pm the board met with Robert Marson of the Council on Aging (COA), as part of their annual updates with department heads. Mr. Marso advised that Patricia Figueiredo had submitted her resignation from the COA board, and they wanted to recommend the appointment of Jane Barker in her place. The board took this recommendation under advisement.

Mr. Marso also noted that the COA seems to be in good shape, financially, and the only thing they might be looking to fund in the near future is a new handicap-accessible van. "We've level-funded for this year," Mr. Marso said. "I don't anticipate any problems at the moment ... but we will have to replace the van eventually."

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Mr. Pickles noted that the existing van — a 1988 model — was purchased through a grant award under which the town needed to contribute 20 percent of the total cost. A replacement van has already been scheduled as a capital expenditure item for 1999.

Mr. Marso also wished to commend the many people who assist the COA, especially Diane Duebber, who "does a super job." He also said they might be looking to increase the operation hours of the senior van due to the rising senior population in town. The vehicle is currently making an estimated 30 runs each week.

Vernon Ingraham of the Elderly Housing Committee next met with the board to discuss his committee's work over the past year. Mr. Ingraham noted one lesson they've learned is that although they've had some 25 people on a waiting list for housing units at Little Neck Village, that number is somewhat "false."

"We were going to request adding eight more units (to the facility)," Mr. Ingraham said. "But when units started opening up, the (waiting) list dwindled. There were many people who were either not ready to move immediately ... or who did not meet our age qualifications."

Mr. Ingraham said this matter will be discussed at their next meeting and they will review their policies and procedures regarding availability of housing units.

Under incoming correspondence for the week, the board received notification from Town Counsel Thomas P. Crotty that he sees no conflict of

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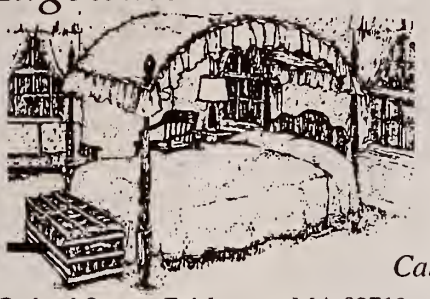

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interest with resident Wayne A. Mattson serving on the advisory committee to expand the Sippican Elementary School. Mr. Mattson is an engineer with TCI, a company which may eventually bid for subcontract work on the project.

Likewise, the State Ethics Commission concurred that Mr. Mattson's service on the advisory committee would not be considered a conflict of interest. As such, Mr. Pickles added that the board would have to appoint Mr. Mattson as a Special Municipal Employee for this purpose.

Chairman Dickerson said the Sippican Historical Society has requested permission to park a trailer on Hiller Street to service Marion Post Office customers while the Post Office lobby is being renovated. This would entail the blocking off of a section of Hiller Street — near the intersection of Front Street — for three or four weeks while renovations are completed.

"They'll be moving the (post office) boxes out of the lobby and putting them in the museum," Mr. Pickles said.

The board unanimously granted the request and asked that notice be sent to the abutters and various town departments affected by this change.

The board then discussed the recent request from resident Tim Semple to convert the Point Road

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Selectman Schaefer agreed. "I certainly applaud the young men for their efforts in bringing this request to us," she said. "But I don't think that particular location is big enough for this purpose. I also spoke to some people in the (Point Road) area who still use the tennis courts."

The board agreed to notify Mr. Semple of their decision in this matter.

In lieu of DPW Superintendent Rob Zora's report, Mr. Pickles advised that repaving work will continue this week on the following Marion roads: Beach Street, Cove Street, Vine Street, Rose Cottage, Rocky Knook Lane, Abel's Way, Gifford's Corner, Maple Avenue, and portions of Oakdale Avenue. The work — which may cause delays in some areas — should be completed by the middle of next week.

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 7:55 pm.

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Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

October 28, 1996

By Dionne F. Richmond

A regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, October 28 at 7:00 pm by Selectman Richard D. Cutler, who explained that Chairman Lorraine Roy Hawkes was feeling under the weather and would not be able to attend the meeting. Also present were Selectman William D. Chamberlain and Secretary Veronica Lafreniere.

At 7:00 pm the board held a Classification Public Hearing to set the tax rate for the town. The Board of Appeals recommended a single unified tax rate for fiscal year 1997 and noted there has not been a great deal of change over the years. They broke down the percentage of taxpayers in town with 82 percent residential, 10.5 percent commercial, 2.5 percent industrial, and 4.5 percent paid by personal property owners. The board accepted this recommendation unanimously.

The board met with Town Clerk Naida Parker at 7:30 pm to discuss the position of Zoning Enforcement Officer. She said after speaking with someone from the Attorney General's Office it came to her attention that a by-law is needed to establish

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"There is some controversy in reading the statute," she said. Both Selectmen said it seemed to them they already have a by-law which allows this position to be separate from the Building Inspector's. "We are covered. There are a lot of communities who have a separate zoning enforcement officer," said Selectman Cutler. They asked Ms. Parker to check with them to see if the by-law is adequate.

At 7:30 pm the board met with Jack Ayers who provided a status report on the Public Safety Building Committee. They discussed finding a design firm with experience and a strong background in designing public safety buildings. The committee will contact the Designer Selection Board to find out who fits this description. After reviewing information the committee will bring in

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Selectman Chamberlain also said he discussed state funding with State Representative William Straus. "It came up in committee to provide funds for projects like these, it didn't go very far," he explained. Since many communities are in the same situation and need funds for public safety buildings, Representative Straus told Selectman Chamberlain he didn't see why a bill for funding wouldn't pass. "Everybody needs it but it hasn't passed yet. He will keep us informed if anything comes up." The board agreed they would like to be in the best possible position to take advantage of funding when and if it becomes available.

At 8:00 pm the board met with Wiring Inspector Michael Forand who said he was surprised that Center Garage, Inc. was in operation since he did not complete the final inspection on the site. "I think there is confusion and the owner (Thomas Skrutski) didn't know what he had to do before selling gas," said Mr. Forand. Every fitting and pipe has to be inspected but the final inspection was never done, Mr. Forand said. The building also needs to be explosion proof.

He suggested the board come up with a check-off list which would avoid this happening in the future. The contractor is responsible for getting all of the necessary permits, but not all of the permits have been met satisfactorily, he added.

"He thought he was ready to open ... (but) there is not one person to ask 'what do I need to do to open my gas station?'," Mr. Forand said. "A list should be handed out to each applicant explaining the process. I think the applicant was overwhelmed and I got thrown by the wayside because of confusion."

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The board agreed he should not have been selling gas if he didn't meet all of the requirements for permits. Mr. Forand said it was not a flagrant violation. "It was a mistake caused by the system we work under," he said. Selectman Cutler said he was most concerned about public safety and suggested he try to get a temporary operating license until the final inspection has been completed. The owner must contact the contractor who is responsible for scheduling the final inspection.

Under Old Business, Selectman Cutler said he would like to expand the mission statement for the Cable Committee to include exploring deregulation. He said many utilities — including phone companies and cable companies — are considering deregulation to offer it at one contract rate. Anyone who is interested in serving on the Cable Committee should contact the Selectmen's office for more information. Residents are also needed to serve on the Snipatuit Pond Committee which will review banning internal combustion engines on Snipatuit Pond. Representatives for and against this action should contact the Selectmen's Office.

Under New Business, Selectman Chamberlain discussed the ORR Advisory Committee report. He said the cost for the tennis courts has been reduced from $240,000 to $150,000. He said much of the conversation at the ORR Advisory Committee meeting focused on Rochester's reluctance to spend money for

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new tennis courts.

Instead he said he would like to see an athletic package prioritizing the needs in the school. He suggested the money be spent elsewhere, possibly on wiring for audio video equipment. "The bottom line would not change," he said. Selectman Cutler said he wanted to understand the project and needed a presentation to help him understand why they should spend money on tennis courts.

After reviewing the Personnel Board agenda, the board unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 9:00 pm.

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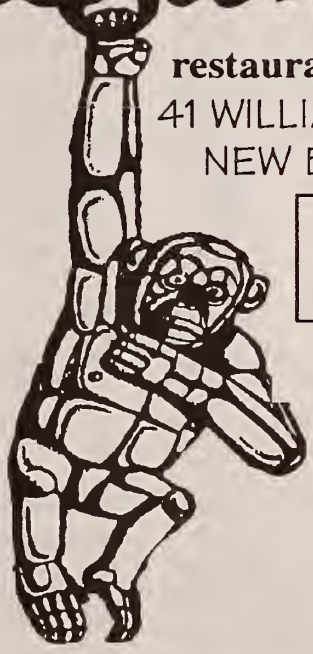

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Acushnet Selectmen's Meeting

October 28, 1996

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Acushnet Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, October 21 at 6:00 pm by Chairman Everett L. Hardy Jr. Also present were Selectman Peter W. Koczera, Selectman Robert J. St. Jean, and Executive Secretary Elaine G. Miranda.

Chairman Hardy said that the board would be meeting later that evening with the Finance Committee (FinCom) to discuss an upcoming Special Town Meeting, possibly in January or February, 1997. He said the town's auditing firm — Powers and Sullivan from Wakefield — should be completed with the books by the end of November, at which time they can set a date for the Special Town Meeting.

One article which will appear on the warrant will be a request to allocate $20,000 to complement a matching $20,000 grant awarded to the town for the planning and design of a new library facility. The town needs to match the grant by March 19, 1997 in order to qualify for funding.

Selectman Koczera added that the board attended a recent School Committee meeting with Library Director Valdene Kane to discuss the library project, and the committee seemed very receptive to the proposal to build the new facility near the Acushnet Elementary and Ford Middle Schools. "The next step is to have the Library Trustees meet with the School Committee to make further plans,"

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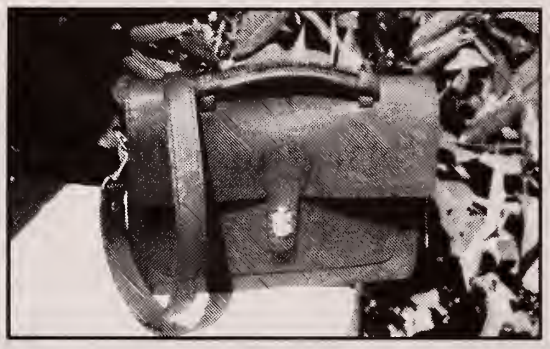

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he said.

Chairman Hardy also noted that the Golf Course Committee will be holding a Public Hearing on Thursday, November 14 at 7:00 pm at the Acushnet Elementary School. The purpose of this hearing will be to review the status of the municipal golf course project to date, and discuss the future construction and management of the facility.

Ms. Miranda advised the board that she had received a request from Acushnet Citizens Together Improving Our Neighborhood (ACTION) to use the Town Hall basement on Monday, November 4 for a 7:00 pm meeting. The board unanimously approved the request.

Ms. Miranda also noted that former Town Clerk Lillian Garbaciak had been appointed as a member of the By-Law Review Committee through 1999. She wanted to know if the board wanted to appoint Town Clerk Richard Threlfall in her place. The board unanimously moved to send a letter of appreciation to Ms. Garbaciak and appoint Mr. Threlfall as a member of the By-Law Review Committee.

Lastly, Ms. Miranda noted that several town liquor stores had called to inquire about being allowed to open on Sundays between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day. The town has allowed this practice in the past. The board unanimously voted to again allow all package stores to open on Sundays between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day.

Under incoming correspondence for the week, the board received notice from the Acushnet

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Firefighters Association and the Acushnet Police Association regarding the Halloween Parade slated for Thursday, October 31 at 6:30 pm. The committee invited the Board of Selectmen to participate in this annual event.

Allan Bates of Bertrand Way next sent a letter expressing his interest in serving on a committee to oversee the operation of the Acushnet Municipal Golf Course. Mr. Bates has experience in working at several golf courses and currently is a member of the Board of Directors at the Reservation Golf Club in Mattapoisett.

Chairman Hardy noted that at a recent meeting, they discussed after completing the construction phase of the golf course, they might be looking to organize a committee to oversee the management of the golf course. Mr. Bates apparently read this in the local newspapers, and decided to submit this letter. The board agreed to place his letter on file for future consideration.

Mary Allison of the Acushnet Golf/ Recreation Development Committee next submitted a copy of her committee's Land Use Report regarding parcels of land which were purchased as part of the golf course project, but will be used for open space and/or recreational purposes. According

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to Selectman St. Jean, the committee is seeking the board's input regarding use of these parcels.

The board agreed to send a copy of the report to the Park Commission, the Recreation Committee, the Conservation Commission, and the Historical Commission to gauge each group's opinion on the use of said property.

Police Chief Michael Poitras next sent an estimate to the board to renovate the old Detective's office in the Police Station into an Evidence Room. Since the majority of the labor will be done by students at Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School, Chief Poitras noted the work would cost $1,276. The work will entail the construction of gun racks and modular shelving units for storage. The board unanimously approved Chief Poitras' request for $1,276 to renovate the new Evidence Room.

The board also received a police report regarding an incident on Bow Drive. It seems that Phillip Camire's driveway, which is at the intersection of Bow Drive and Lake Street, looks like a continuation of Lake Street. A vehicle recently skidded into his driveway and he is concerned for the safety of his family.

The board agreed to forward this matter to the Safety Committee for their recommendation.

Police Chief Poitras also sent a response to the board regarding the Safety Committee's recent recommendations to either lower the speed limit along Main Street or install rumble strips or cobble stones to decrease high speed traffic. Chief Poitras said he feels that the current speed limit of 35 miles-per-hour is proper, especially when taking into account that motorists are obligated to slow down to 20 miles-per-hour during school hours.

Chief Poitras said he will make an effort to post additional officers along Main Street and he also said that although he has no objection to the use

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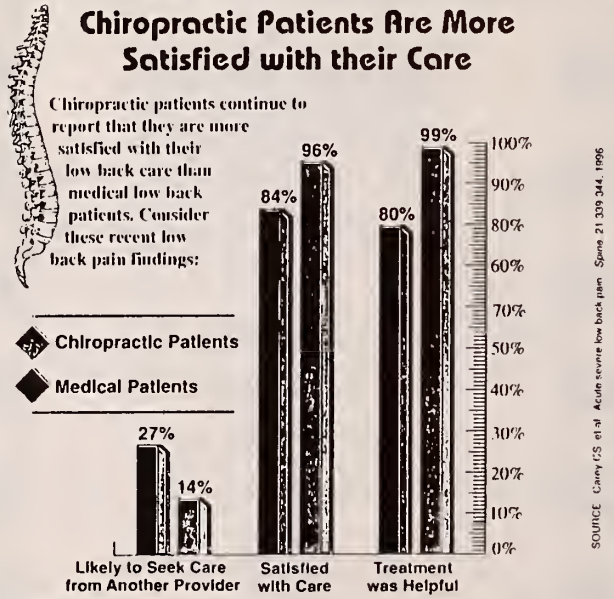

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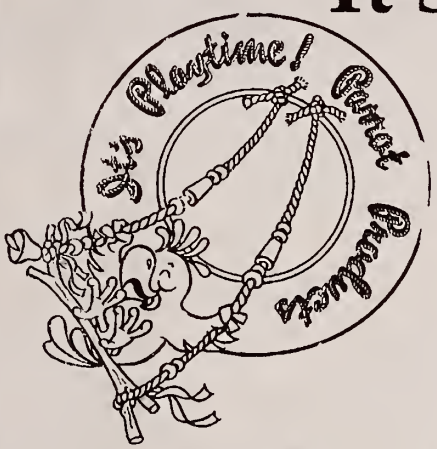

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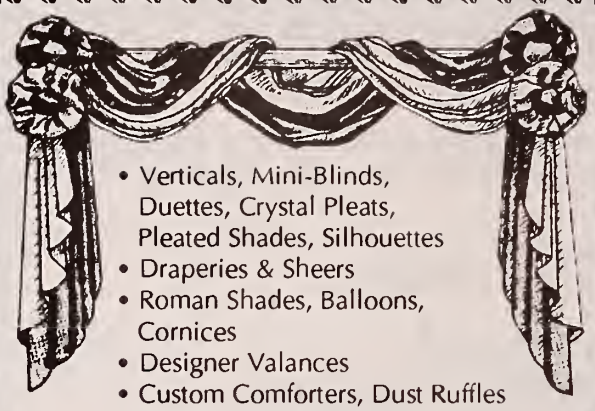

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The board agreed to hold final decision on this matter pending a response from the Department of Public Works (DPW).

Building Commissioner James Buckles sent notification to the board that he will be on vacation from November 4 through November 20. His Deputy Building Inspector will be available on an as-needed basis.

The Massachusetts Housing Partnership sent a notice to the board that a representative from their group will be attending the Acushnet Housing Partnership meeting slated for Wednesday, November 6 at 7:30 pm.

At 6:20 pm the board met with James Viera to discuss offering a group insurance policy to town employees. Mr. Viera owns an insurance company in Acushnet, and he wanted to offer the Selectmen a chance to provide a discount package for town employees.

Mr. Viera said he would need to review the driving records of those interested and then could offer a rate based on the number of people interested. The policy would be underwritten by Hanover Insurance, and Mr. Viera said any additional discounts could be offered in lieu of auto club discounts and the like.

"I write about 27 percent of town employees now," Mr. Viera said. "I figured if we got more people aboard, we could offer a group discount."

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The board unanimously approved Mr. Viera's request to notify all town employees via the Town Clerk's office and request their participation in the group discount plan.

Chairman Hardy said he contacted the DPW regarding white goods which are discarded by Acushnet residents and sent to the Mattapoisett Landfill. Chairman Hardy was a little concerned about a recent bill the town received for $260, representing the removal of 26 pieces of white goods (refrigerators, stoves) at $10 each.

"We've got a person in town who said he can take all metal goods away ... and work out something that's cheaper for Acushnet," Chairman Hardy said. "I'd like to look into this further."

At 6:40 pm the board voted to enter into Executive Session with Manuel Goulart, Chairman of the Acushnet Golf Realty Development Committee, to discuss contract negotiations for the golf course project. They would adjourn for the evening upon completion of the Executive Session.

Fairhaven Selectmen's Meeting

October 28, 1996

By Jennifer J. Ouellette

A regular meeting of the Fairhaven Board of Selectmen was called to order by Chairman John R. Roderiques on Monday, October 28 at 7:00 pm. Also present were Selectman John T. Haaland, Selectman Robert T. Hamilton, Executive Secretary Jeff Osuch,

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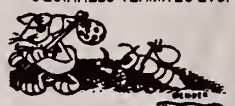

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and Secretary Jan St. Germain. The minutes of the October 21 meeting were approved with a few minor changes.

The first appointment of the evening was scheduled at 7:15 pm with Police Chief Edward Silva and Anthony Medeiros. The appointment was regarding Mr. Medeiros' recent resignation. Mr. Medeiros asked for the appointment to be held in Executive Session, which the board agreed to.

At 8:00 pm, the board reopened in regular session and opened a public hearing regarding the proposed Economic Opportunity Areas for Fairhaven. There are currently no businesses proposed in any of the seven designated areas, which include:

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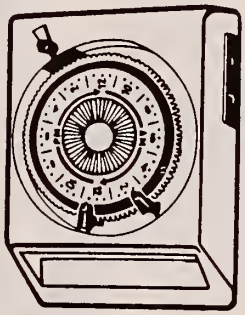

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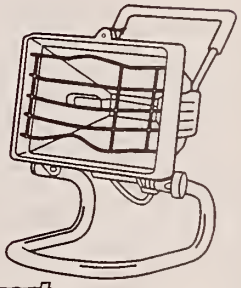

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good idea, and explained that is why the board wants it on the next Town Meeting warrant. Selectman Hamilton agreed and said that the idea would be a "definite plus" because prospective businesses would know that Fairhaven is trying to increase employment opportunities.

The last appointment of the evening was with the Finance Committee at 8:15 pm. The board was meeting with the committee to discuss several issues regarding the upcoming Special Town Meeting warrant. These proposed issues included:

• ARTICLE 2: Ambulance and Police Station Renovations. The low estimate from Jay G. Edwards in RI was $844,000 for the Ambulance and $309,000 for the Police Station renovations. These figures did not include a 5 percent contingency or clerk fees.

The police station renovations are definitely "doable," according to the board. However, there is only $330,000 in the Ambulance account which would leave $684,000 to be borrowed. Although Chairman Roderiques was doubtful, Executive Secretary Osuch said the Ambulance renovations were also feasible.

• ARTICLE 3: Grant for Boulder Park. The decision on this article was put off until next week so that Selectman Hamilton and Selectman Haaland can look into the proposal a little more and get the sentiments of the residents.

• ARTICLE 13: Fairhaven High School renovation project. The original price of the project was not to exceed $18,426,364. The general bid — not including any of the proposed alternates (i.e. a greenhouse, slate roof) — was $15,347,000. However,

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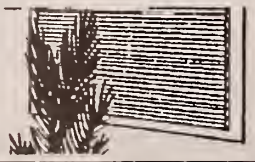

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the budgeted amount was $14,978,539 — which is a $370,000 difference (requiring a Proposition 2 1/2 override). The board will prepare a spreadsheet with all the different options and costs for the town.

The final discussion with the Finance Committee was concerning the date for the Special Town Meeting. Finance Committee Chairman Carol Dussault suggested a Saturday morning meeting because people would be more likely to stay longer. After a long debate, the board narrowed down the dates to November 23 or November 30. Because November 30 is the weekend after Thanksgiving, it was less favorable and the board decided on Saturday, November 23 with a majority vote. Selectman Haaland opposed this date because the superintendent of the high school would not be able to attend.

Under incoming correspondence, the board received a request to appoint a member of the

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Council on Aging to fill the unexpired term of Pedro Monteiro. At this time the board brought up an issue that was scheduled to be discussed later in the evening regarding associate membership. On such an occasion as the recent death of Mr. Monteiro, the associate member would take the position. The board requested that Mr. Osuch go through all the committees and find slots that are open and have them posted on the cable channel.

A special permit was given to the City of New Bedford "to take, possess and relay for propagation and natural purification purposes quahogs from the waters of the New Bedford/ Fairhaven Outer Harbor." The permit expires on November 15, 1996.

A letter was received requesting the appointment of a trustee for the Millicent Library. Margaret Lopes' position has expired, so there are currently two slots open. The board unanimously voted to reappoint Ms. Lopes. The board has letters from five other people who are interested in the one slot remaining for a trustee of the library. All of the applicants, according to Chairman Roderiques, have had no prior experience on the board. The board decided to hold this decision until next week.

The board received a note and a petition with 18 signatures in support of discontinuing the use of general purpose traffic on Massasoit Avenue. Chairman Roderiques explained that the board will first have to hold a public hearing, then discuss the issue with the Planning Board and Board of Public Works, and finally bring it to Town Meeting for

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approval. The public hearing is scheduled for Monday, November 25 at 8:00 pm.

Sports Shorts

By Pamela L. Sylvia

Old Rochester Regional High School

Though the fall sports season is rapidly coming to a close, the Bulldogs at **Old Rochester Regional High School** continue to prove themselves worthy opponents to several area teams. Following is a rundown of the scores for the week, according to **Athletic Director Joao Roderigues**:

- In **Football**, the Bulldogs lost to Bishop Stang High School in the Homecoming Day game on Saturday, October 26. The final score was Stang 14, ORR 7.
- The **Boys' Soccer** team managed to tie with New Bedford Voke Tech, 3 to 3; managed to shut out Fairhaven, 4 to 0; and also tied with Westport High, 1 to 1.
- In **Girls' Soccer**, the Bulldogs tied with Fairhaven, 1 to 1.
- The **Volleyball** team managed to thrash New Bedford Voke Tech, 15 to 11 and 15 to 8. They also lost two out of three against Fairhaven, first winning 15 to 14, then losing 12 to 15, and again 15 to 17.
- In **Cross Country**, the Boys' team lost a close match against Wareham High School, 27 to 28.
- The **Field Hockey** team tied with Wareham High, 2 to 2, but lost to Apponequet, 1 to 0.

Fairhaven High School

- The Blue Devils' **Football** team cruised past

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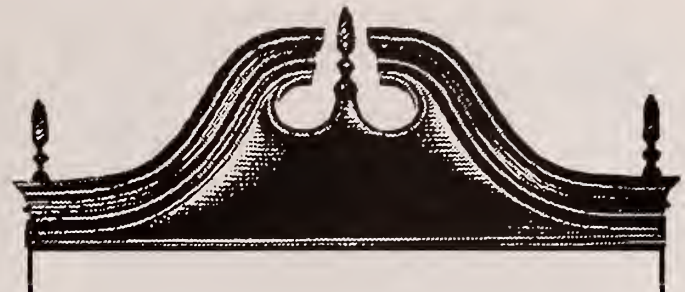

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Seekonk High School by the score of 30 to 8 in last week's game. Fairhaven's overall record is now 4-2-1.

• The **Field Hockey** team had a successful week, first against Chatham dueling to a scoreless 0 to 0 tie on Monday, October 21; then tying again with Seekonk 2 to 2 on Wednesday; then finally beating Case High School 3 to 1 on Thursday.

• The **Girls' Soccer** team beat Westport High School 5-0; then tied rival Old Rochester by the score of 1 to 1; finally they closed out their winning week by defeating Case 2 to 1. The team has already clinched a spot in the state tournament, which will begin soon.

• The **Boys' Soccer** team dropped a tough game to ORR 4 to 0 on Thursday, October 24.

• The **Volleyball** team struggled but won successfully, clinching the South Coast Conference this week. On Tuesday, Fairhaven defeated Seekonk 15 to 7,9 to 15, and 15 to 1, in a tight match. On Thursday, Fairhaven clinched their title, downing ORR in a come-from-behind victory 14 to 16, 15 to 12, and 17 to 15. They will be preparing for the state championships coming up soon.

• In **Cross Country**, Apponequet squeaked by Fairhaven, 28 to 27 on Monday October 21. Last

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weekend, Nephi Tyler finished fourth with a time of 14:21 at the South Coast Conference Cross Country Meet at Apponequet. **Chris Carreiro** finished sixteenth with a time of 15:04. On the girls' side, **Amy Mattos** placed fourteenth with a time of 18:28.
ORR Soccer Boosters

• The **Old Rochester Regional High School Soccer Boosters** announced this week that their **Seventh Annual Yard Sale**, which was originally slated for last Sunday, has been rescheduled for **Sunday, November 3** at the Salvation Army Parking Lot on Route 6 in Mattapoisett. The sale will be held from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm and will once again feature a wide range of items at prices which can't be beat. There will also be a baked goods table. All proceeds will benefit the **ORR Girls and Boys Soccer Teams** ... so make an effort to stop by and support this worthwhile Bulldog effort!

Sports Spotlight

ORR Homecoming: Fun for All Ages

By Pamela L. Sylvia

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Students viewed Homecoming as a special event for several reasons. Students from each class spent a week building creative floats, depicting different comedic scenes. The Class of 1997 won, sending several screaming seniors into a frenzy.

According to Lori McHenry, a senior and head cheerleader, the school becomes bonded for this one day. "People get involved in the float-making process. I think it shows a lot of pride in our school because no other school goes out like we do," Ms. McHenry said.

The most anticipated part of Homecoming Day was the football game between ORR and Bishop Stang. A packed stadium — with fans decked in red and white — cheered on their team, but Bishop Stang sneaked out a close victory, winning 14 to 7. To the athletes, beating their rivals would have been a great triumph. Before the athletes enter high school, many have a choice of attending ORR or Bishop Stang. To compete against their old friends brought out even more emotions.

Even though the overall score was what most die-hard football fans remember, some recognized the school spirit that saturated the air. With cheerleaders chanting, fans screaming, and the band playing, the immense crowd connected to support their alma mater.

For alumni, Homecoming Day was an opportunity for past graduates to revisit their old stomping ground. But it was also a way for people to recollect their memories.

Mother, alumnus, and Gridiron Club member Gayle Lawrence explained she had many reasons to attend. Her son, Adam, a junior, was playing in the game at the tailback position. While supporting her son, she also helps the entire team, along with the cheerleaders. As a member of the Gridiron Club, she attends every game, selling programs, and helping distribute refreshments to raise money for the kids. "The money we raise helps provide the football banquet at the end of every season," Ms. Lawrence said. "Plus, some scholarships are given out."

For someone who goes to all the games, Ms. Lawrence looks at the Homecoming Day game with a little more perspective. "(All the games) have been big this year," she said. "This is definitely a landmark game, but this season, every game has been important. As for publicity, it brings a lot of alumni back home for the floats and such."

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From Our Readers...

Editor's Note: Beginning this week, The Wanderer *will feature a new section titled "From Our Readers..." in which we will publish unsolicited submissions which don't necessarily respond to timely issues and therefore would not be considered editorial material for our "Letters to the Editor" column. Such items can and will include poetry, essays, and brief works of fiction (limited to one page). We welcome your ideas and input. Simply send submissions, typed or word-processed, to: From Our Readers, c/o The Wanderer, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739.* The Wanderer *reserves the right to edit, condense, and otherwise alter submissions for purposes of clarity and/or spacing considerations.*

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A poem by John Bace

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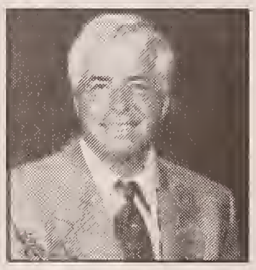

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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

I would like to commend the Mattapoisett Selectmen — Michele Bernier, Paul Lambalot, and Jackie DeCosta — for the manner in which they reacted to the proposed pier project.

The Selectmen truly listened to town citizens' requests for an informational meeting; then further listened to the concerns, objections, and supportive positions expressed at that meeting (October 21, 1996). They most impressively reacted with an "immediate on the spot" decision based on that input and feedback to stop this project which is not in the best interest of the town majority.

Further, they intelligently recommended a committee be established to determine and investigate the true needs and recommend potential solutions to those needs.

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- Reduce marathon and controversial Town Meetings; and, most importantly,
- Build a stronger community spirit of working together openly to chart our future direction.

This is an example of a government for the people ... listening to its people and acting accordingly. I am not advocating a committee to study every decision we elected the Selectmen to make. However, I do feel that this committee-involvement approach should be utilized in every important and sensitive issue which has the potential to divide the community.

Much thanks to everyone involved in this meeting for taking the time and energy to make the meeting so productive. I am genuinely excited about the prospect of handling future challenges in this same manner to invite community involvement and strengthen our unity.

Sincerely,
J. C. Mello
Mattapoisett

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Young or old, professional or non-professional, a newcomer to town or otherwise, the Mattapoisett Citizens' Initiative (MCI) extends an invitation to any Mattapoisett resident to attend its next meeting, which will be held on Wednesday, November 6 at 7:30 pm in the large upstairs meeting room in the Mattapoisett Town Hall.

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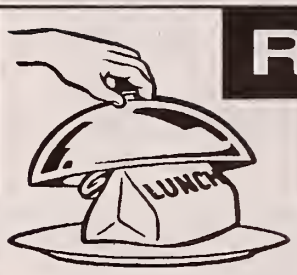

ACUSHNET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

• ***Monday, November 4***— Chicken nuggets, rice, corn, or bologna and soup, bread, milk, dessert.

• ***Tuesday, November 5*** — American chop suey, green beans, or ham and soup, bread, milk, dessert.

• ***Wednesday, November 6*** — Hamburger on a bun, French fries, raw veggies, or turkey and soup, milk, jello.

• ***Thursday, November 7*** — Hot dog, seasoned potatoes, corn, or bologna and soup, milk, cake.

• ***Friday, November 8*** — Pizzeria pizza with linguiça, salad, or tuna and chowder, milk, dessert.

COASTLINE ELDERLY SERVICES

• ***Monday, November 4*** — Beef strip with gravy, parslied noodles, carrot coins, branola bread, mandarin oranges.

• ***Tuesday, November 5*** — Roasted chicken leg, sweet potatoes, spinach, three-grain bread, canned plums.

• ***Wednesday, November 6***— Pot roast with gravy, whipped potatoes, broccoli, cranberry bread, rice and raisin pudding.

• ***Thursday, November 7*** — American chop suey, Alleto blend vegetables, dinner roll, fresh fruit.

• ***Friday, November 8*** — Salmon loaf, mashed potatoes, green beans with pimento, wheat bread, cherry square.

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FAIRHAVEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

• ***Monday, November 4*** — Cheese pizza, baked pork chop with gravy, hot ham and cheese sub, scalloped potatoes, peas, chilled peaches, vanilla pudding with topping.

• ***Tuesday, November 5***— Taco boat with all the fixings, grilled cheese, chicken salad sub, Spanish rice, chili, pears, apricots, apple crisp with topping.

• ***Wednesday, November 6***— Roast turkey with gravy, hamburger/cheeseburger, mac rib, whipped potatoes, peas, applesauce, blueberry pie.

• ***Thursday, November 7***— Meatballs in sauce over spaghetti, grated mozzarella, shaved turkey club, shaved ham and cheese, tossed salad, green beans, chilled pears, strawberry/banana jello with topping.

• ***Friday, November 8***— Fresh-made chicken rice soup, hamburger/cheeseburger, or bologna and lettuce sub, oven fries, chilled peaches, oatmeal cookie.

FAIRHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

• ***Monday, November 4*** — Caçoila grinder, pepperoni pizza, "hero" grinder, oven fries, baked beans, chilled pears, chocolate pudding with topping.

• ***Tuesday, November 5*** — Baked macaroni and cheese, hamburger/cheeseburger, ham salad, fishwich, green beans, tossed salad, chilled peaches, apple crisp with topping.

• ***Wednesday, November 6***— Baked lasagna, hot ham and cheese, chicken salad, oven potatoes, peas, applesauce, blueberry pie.

• ***Thursday, November 7***— American chop suey, grated mozzarella, double grilled cheese, Italian grinder, tossed salad, green beans, chilled pears, lemon jello with topping.

• ***Friday, November 8***— French meat pie with gravy, shaved turkey club, mac rib, whipped potato, corn, applesauce, oatmeal cookie.

FORD MIDDLE SCHOOL - ACUSHNET

• ***Monday, November 4*** — Chicken nuggets, rice, corn, or bologna and soup, bread, milk, dessert.

• ***Tuesday, November 5***— American chop suey, green beans, or ham and soup, bread, milk, dessert.

• ***Wednesday, November 6*** — Hamburger on a bun, French fries, raw veggies, or turkey and soup, milk, jello.

• ***Thursday, November 7***— Hot dog, seasoned potatoes, corn, or bologna and soup, milk, cake.

• ***Friday, November 8*** — Pizzeria pizza with linguiça, salad, or tuna and chowder, milk, dessert.

HASTINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL

• ***Monday, November 4*** — Cheese pizza, baked pork chop with gravy, hot ham and cheese sub, scalloped potatoes, peas, chilled peaches, vanilla pudding with topping.

• ***Tuesday, November 5***— Taco boat with all the fixings, grilled cheese, chicken salad sub, Spanish rice, chili, pears, apricots, apple crisp with topping.

• ***Wednesday, November 6***— Roast turkey with gravy, hamburger/cheeseburger, mac rib, whipped potatoes, peas, applesauce, blueberry pie.

• ***Thursday, November 7***— Meatballs in sauce over spaghetti, grated mozzarella, shaved turkey club, shaved ham and cheese, tossed salad, green beans, chilled pears, strawberry/banana jello with topping.

• ***Friday, November 8***— Fresh-made chicken rice soup, hamburger/cheeseburger, or bologna and lettuce sub, oven fries, chilled peaches, oatmeal cookie.

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• ***Monday, November 4***— Fruit juice, cheeseburger, potato chips, mixed vegetables, fruit, cake.

• ***Tuesday, November 5*** — Chicken fajitas with all the fixings, tortilla chips, corn, fruit, assorted pudding.

• ***Wednesday, November 6*** — Chicken nuggets, French fries, peas, cranberry sauce, bread, cookie.

• ***Thursday, November 7*** — Orange juice, Shepherd's pie, or bologna and cheese sandwich, broccoli, roll, jello.

• ***Friday, November 8***— Vegetable beef soup, pizza, potato puffs, carrots, assorted dessert.

ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL - FAIRHAVEN

• ***Monday, November 4***— Cheese pizza, baked pork chop with gravy, hot ham and cheese sub, scalloped potatoes, peas, chilled peaches, vanilla pudding with topping.

• ***Tuesday, November 5*** — Taco boat with all the fixings, grilled cheese, chicken salad sub, Spanish rice, chili, pears, apricots, apple crisp with topping.

• ***Wednesday, November 6*** — Roast turkey with gravy, hamburger/cheeseburger, mac rib, whipped potatoes, peas, applesauce, blueberry pie.

• ***Thursday, November 7*** — Meatballs in sauce over spaghetti, grated mozzarella, shaved turkey club, shaved ham and cheese, tossed salad, green beans, chilled pears, strawberry/banana jello with topping.

• ***Friday, November 8*** — Fresh-made chicken rice soup, hamburger/cheeseburger, or bologna and lettuce sub, oven fries, chilled peaches, oatmeal cookie.

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town boards, as well as individuals, to take remedial action to make Mattapoisett a better place in which to live. In the past, meeting attenders have included everyone from town officials to new residents of the community.

The November 6 agenda will include discussions on reviving and revising site plan review, a Planning Board initiative that failed at last year's Town Meeting; other zoning initiatives that failed at the Town Meeting; and a discussion of the pros and cons of adopting a by-law that would provide a mechanism for the recall of elected town officials.

Also to be discussed is how Peter West, who has stepped down as chairman of the group after leading it through its first year, will be replaced.

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The next monthly meeting of the Mattapoisett PTA will be held on Tuesday,

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Local Police Logs

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The following log excerpts are for the week of October 20 through October 28, 1996:

- Main Street – disturbance/noise complaint
- South Main Street – larceny/breaking and entering into motor vehicle
- Mallard Street – vandalism
- Main Street – obscene/annoying phone calls
- Cushman Street – neighbor problems
- Rogerson Avenue – traffic accident
- Blueberry Drive – runaway
- Middle Road – vandalism
- Darling Street – larceny/breaking and entering into motor vehicle
- Nye's Lane – motor vehicle theft
- Middle Road – larceny/breaking and entering into a motor vehicle
- Hathaway Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Slocum Street – domestic disturbance
- Francis Street – vandalism
- Lambert Street – suspicious investigation/adult arrest (breaking and entering, destruction of property, larceny over $250)
- Pembroke Avenue – adult arrest (warrant)
- Main Street – personal threats
- Reservation Road – vandalism
- Lantern Lane – disturbance/noise complaint
- Peckham Road – breaking and entering/forced entry
- Crompton Street - suspicious motor vehicle
- Main Street – traffic accident/hit and run
- Flying Cloud Orchards – suspicious motor vehicle
- Main Street – fraud/bad checks
- Westland Street – vandalism
- Rock Street – harassment
- Middle Road – driving under the influence
- Middle Road – domestic disturbance
- Main Street – domestic disturbance
- Slocum Street – adult arrest (warrant)
- Gammons Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Slocum Street – disorderly conduct/disturbing the peace
- Middle Road – disturbance/noise complaint
- Middlefield Place – shots fired
- Lantern Lane – disturbance/noise complaint
- John Street – larceny/breaking and entering into motor vehicle
- Keene Road – vandalism
- Laura Keene Avenue – disturbance/noise complaint.

FAIRHAVEN

The following log excerpts are for the week of October 22 through October 28, 1996:

- Alden Road – adult arrest (shoplifting)
- Bridge Street – burglary/breaking and entering
- Middle Street – assault and battery
- Maple Avenue – disturbance/loud noise
- Seaview Avenue – reported death
- Gellette Road – weapons violation
- Hathaway Wharf – breaking and entering/vessel
- Main Street – motor vehicle theft
- Alden Road – adult arrest (warrant/larceny by check)
- Route 240 – adult arrest (shoplifting/possession of marijuana)
- Berdon Way – disturbance/gang
- Pleasant Street – disorderly conduct
- Berdon Way – disturbance/gang
- Huttleston Avenue – personal threats
- Fairhaven Commons Way – accident/property damage
- Main Street – breaking and entering/motor vehicle
- Pleasant Street – accident/property damage
- Huttleston Avenue – larceny
- Main Street – adult arrest (larceny by check)
- Bridge Street – disturbance/loud noise
- Sconticut Neck Road – accident/property damage
- Fairhaven Commons Way – accident/property damage
- Green Street – larceny
- Huttleston Avenue – accident/hit and run
- Woodside Avenue – disturbance/gang
- Pleasant Street – accident/property damage
- Elm Avenue – vandalism
- Elm Avenue – breaking and entering/vessel
- Stop & Shop – shoplifting
- Bridge Street – disturbance/gang
- Adams Street - larceny
- Route 195 East – accident/personal injury
- Alden Road – accident/property damage
- Middle Street – larceny
- Middle Street – annoying phone calls
- Elm Avenue – vandalism
- St. Mary Street – annoying phone calls
- Causeway Road – domestic violence/adult arrest (assault and battery/domestic)
- Howland Road – accident/hit and run
- Adams Street - domestic violence
- Bridge Street – accident/property damage
- Taber Street – breaking and entering/motor vehicle
- Route 240 – adult arrest (operating with suspended license)
- Masonic Building – adult arrest (license suspended)
- Plaza Way – adult arrest (warrant)
- Huttleston Avenue – restraining order violation
- Alden Road – adult arrest (license suspended).

MARION

The following log excerpts are for the week of October 20 through October 26, 1996:

- Route 195 East – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Delano Road – larceny/past
- Route 195 East – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Wareham Road – suspicious activity
- Lewis Street - found property
- Mill Street – adult arrest (default warrant)
- Wareham Road – adult arrest (warrant, larceny by check)
- Wareham Road – annoying phone calls
- Front Street – breaking and entering/past
- Wareham Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Route 195 West – suspicious activity
- Hartley Lane – animal complaint
- Spring Street – adult arrest (warrant, motor vehicle violation)
- Parkway Lane – suspicious motor vehicle
- West Avenue – annoying phone calls
- Piney Point Road – suspicious activity
- Mill Street – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Island Wharf Road – vandalism/past
- Point Road – motor vehicle accident/fatal
- Wareham Road – adult arrest (license suspended, operating motor vehicle with expired inspection sticker)
- Edgewater Lane – suspicious activity
- Point Road – adult arrest (operating under the influence, negligent operation of motor vehicle).

MATTAPOISETT

The following log excerpts are for the week of October 22 through October 29, 1996:

- Mattapoisett Neck Road – destruction of property/vandalism
- Wendell Street – suspicious activity/motor vehicle
- Dupont Drive – suspicious activity/motor vehicle
- Reservation Road – illegal hunting
- River Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Fairhaven Road – found property (mace)
- North Street – recovered property (crossbow)
- Brandt Island Road – sexual non-force assault/exposing
- Marion Road – suspicious activity
- County Road – motor vehicle accident
- County Road – adult arrest (warrant)
- Sparrow Hill Road – harassing phone calls
- Brierpatch Lane – general disturbance
- Cedar Point Avenue – larceny (bicycle)
- Richard III's Lane – child abuse/neglect
- Cedar Point Avenue – recovered property (bicycle)
- Howard Beach Road – burglary/breaking and entering/forced entry
- Captain's Lane – harassing phone calls
- Antassawamock Road – loose dogs.

ROCHESTER

The following log excerpts are for the week of October 22 through October 29, 1996:

- New Bedford Road – car hit deer
- Mary's Pond Road – motor vehicle stop
- Mary's Pond Road – motor vehicle stop
- Mattapoisett Road – motor vehicle stop
- New Bedford Road – car hit deer
- Mary's Pond Road – motor vehicle stop
- New Bedford Road – motor vehicle stop
- Bassett Road - suspicious activity
- Bassett Road – suspicious activity
- Mattapoisett Road – motor vehicle accident
- North Avenue – motor vehicle stop
- Neck Road – motor vehicle stop
- Route 28 – motor vehicle stop
- North Avenue – found item
- Robinson Road – motor vehicle stop
- Walnut Plain Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Alley Road – vandalism
- Rounseville Road – motor vehicle stop
- Snipatuit Road – alarm
- Mattapoisett Road – car hit deer
- Route 28 – suspicious motor vehicle.

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King's latest adaptation is big on clichés, thin on plot

BY ROB GONSALVES

• ***Thinner.*** **Starring Robert John Burke and Joe Mantegna. Directed by Tom Holland. Running time: 92 minutes. MPAA rating: R. At Cinema 8 in North Dartmouth.**

In 1985, Stephen King published *Thinner* under his pseudonyn Richard Bachman. Now comes the movie version, which has King's name all over its ads. King got it backward: he should have put his name on the book and Bachman's name on the movie. *Thinner*, easily the worst film I've seen this year, is a wretched excuse for a horror movie and a flat-out disgrace on every level. Movies like this do not bode well for the dying horror genre.

King's premise has an air of AIDS/cancer paranoia. Billy Halleck (Robert John Burke), a 300-pound lawyer, tries everything to lose weight. One night, as Billy drives home from another high-calorie dinner, his wife (Lucinda Jenney) distracts him with, um, romantic overtures — bad timing, because an old woman picks that moment to dart out in front of his car. Splat.

The old woman, it so happens, is the daughter of an ancient gypsy (Michael Constantine), who puts a weight-loss whammy on Billy. He goes from 300 pounds to 280, then 240, and so on. This worked in the book, because Billy's deterioration unfolded in our imagination. In the movie, Billy's curse is a matter of a slim actor wearing less and less (unconvincing) fat make-up and more and more (unconvincing) thin make-up.

Thinner wants to be a psychological horror film, but director Tom Holland (who made another bad King movie, *The Langoliers)* isn't up to it. He and co-writer Michael McDowell *(Beetlejuice)* resort to it's-only-a-dream clichés and pitiful attempts at humor, such as Billy and his daughter (Joy Lenz) trading unfunny *Godfather* jokes in reference to Billy's Mafioso client Ginelli (Joe Mantegna). Holland has no idea how real people talk or how real movies move — it's a long 92 minutes.

The movies also deserves an ensemble award for inept acting, since Holland lets everyone underact passively or overact aggressively, shrieking at the poor innocent camera. This could be fun (Bronson Pinchot's psychotic flailing in *The Langoliers* kept me amused), but here it's just embarrassing. To be fair, the script is no help. Michael Constantine, whose gypsy looks like a crazed Buddy Hackett, gets to deliver great stuff like "You die thin, White Man from Town, but you die clean."

In the difficult lead role, acting through pounds of latex, Robert John Burke is no Eddie Murphy. Partly it's his dull voice, but mainly it's his body language. Most real-life large men (John Goodman, for example) move with a mindful grace that comes from a lifelong awareness that they occupy more room. Murphy had it in *The Nutty Professor.* Burke just shuffles around in a fat suit, which was a rush job by Oscar-winning make-up artist Greg Cannom *(Bram Stoker's Dracula)* and looks it.

Thinner is angry and depressing aside from being awful. It can be read as a metaphor for AIDS being spread by infidelity; Billy bitterly blames his wife for his condition and suspects her of honking his doctor buddy. King's twist ending, involving a deadly pie, is nasty and ironic in the tradition of EC Comics and *Creepshow,* but the movie botches it. King, at least, served a tasty gypsy pie. Tom Holland's pie is stale and tasteless.

MOVIE LISTINGS

■ CINEMA 140
376 Hathaway Road, New Bedford, MA.
Movie Line: 999-6577 / Office: 999-4240.

Friday (November 1) through Thursday (November 7)
Sleepers (R) – Fri: 5:50, 8:45; Sat/Sun: 12:00, 3:00, 5:50, 8:45; Mon-Thu: 8:00
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Sat/Sun: 12:00, 2:15, 5:00, 7:30, 9:30; Mon-Thu: 6:45, 8:45
Basquiat* (R) – Fri: 5:00, 7:15; Sat/Sun: 2:30, 5:00, 7:15; Mon-Thu: 9:00
The Long Kiss Goodnight (R) – Fri: 9:30; Sat/Sun: 12:00, 9:30; Mon-Thu: 6:45
Larger Than Life* (PG) – Fri: 5:00, 7:00, 9:00;
Sat/Sun: 12:15, 2:30, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00; Mon-Thu: 6:30, 8:30
High School High* (PG-13) – Fri: 5:00, 7:15, 9:15;
Sat/Sun: 12:15, 2:15, 5:00, 7:15, 9:15; Mon-Thu: 7:00, 9:00
To Gillian on Her 37th Birthday (PG-13) – Fri-Sun: 5:00, 7:15, 9:15
Mon/Tue: 7:00, 9:00
Fly Away Home (PG) – Sat/Sun: 12:00, 2:15
Set It Off* (R) – Wed/Thu: 6:30, 9:00

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Movie Line: 999-3141 / Office: 999-3142.

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Dear God (PG) – 1:50, 4:20, 7:00, 9:10
The Mighty Ducks 3 (PG) – 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:15
Romeo + Juliet (PG-13) – 1:30, 4:10, 6:50, 9:20
Michael Collins (R) – 1:30, 4:05, 6:40, 9:20
The Associate (PG-13) – 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:30
The Ghost and the Darkness (R) – 1:50, 4:20, 7:10, 9:30
The First Wives Club (PG) – 2:00, 4:30, 6:50, 9:00
Thinner (R) – 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:30

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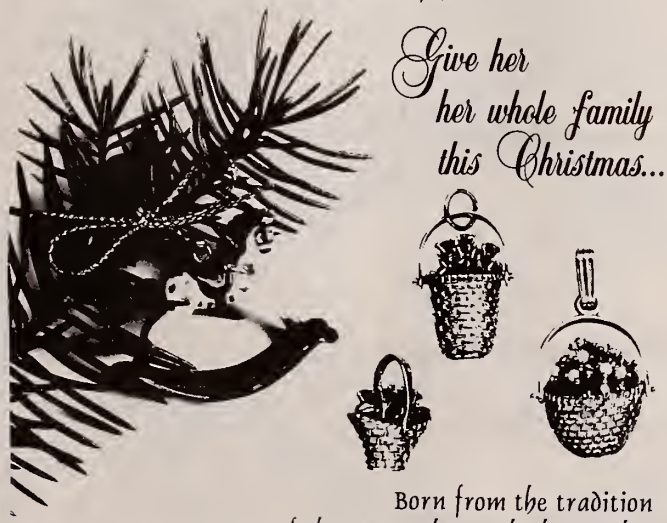

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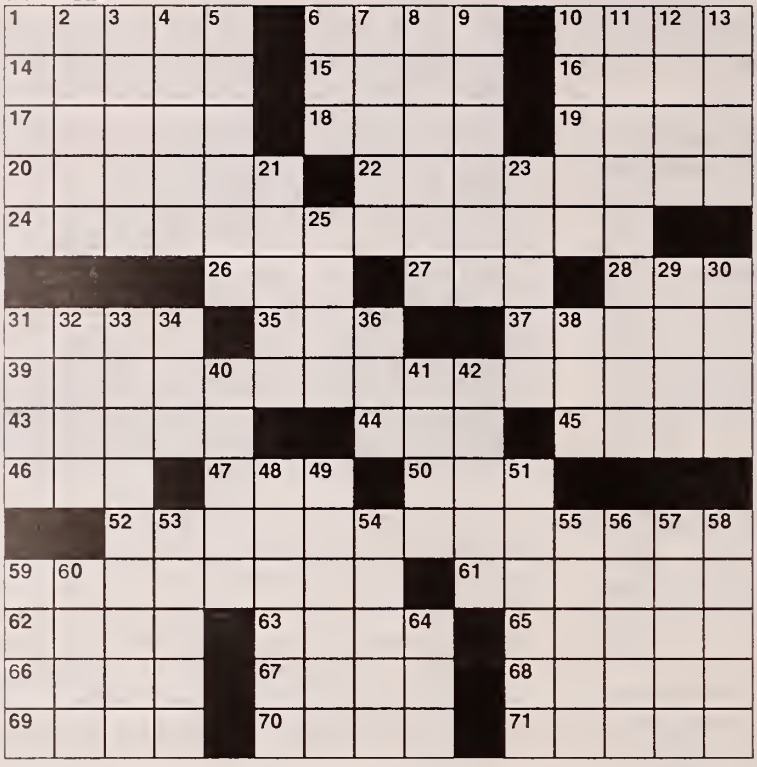

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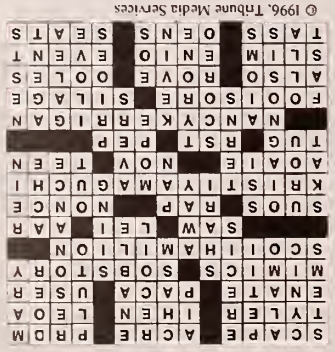

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This Week's Horoscope

by Linda Black

Aries (March 21-April 19). Wait to start a big project and it'll go easier. Get your money lined up. Supervisors will be tough as nails. A little humor will help a lot.

Taurus (April 20-May 20). Your attention will be diverted to financial matters. Pay bills, balance the checkbook and apply for a loan.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Finish up old business so you'll have time for a friendly competition. Face the facts. Pool resources with a friend to get an expensive item you both want.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Renew an old friendship. Your workload increases and stays intense for a while. Ask a partner to help.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Listen to a friend's concerns or you'll have a bigger problem later. You'll be even luckier than usual at games and love affairs.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll retain what you learn, so cram your head full of good information. A friend's idiosyncrasies could get in the way of your work.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Unexpected costs put a dent in your budget. Catch up on your assignments. You'll find out all sorts of interesting things.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Make sure everybody understands what they're supposed to do. Money you've been waiting for could come in.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Finish a tough job this morning or suffer the consequences. By this afternoon you'll have lots more control of your own destiny.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). A friend can give you the answer. Consult with a wise person just to make sure you know what's going on behind the scenes.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Don't get into a grumpy person's face — he or she may snap. You and your buddies can find an end run around a difficult situation.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20). Accept an exotic foreigner's suggestion. That relationship could last. Cater to a weird intellectual's whims.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, November 19, 1996 at 7:45 P.M. in Room 203 of the Mattapoisett Town Hall concerning the application of Pallatroni & Gingras, Inc. for a proposed subdivision of land located on Crestfield Street and shown as a three lot subdivision on a portion of lot #110 on Mattapoisett Assessors' Plat #17. Complete plans for the subdivision are on file in the office of the Town Clerk and may be inspected by any interested party during the normal business hours of the Clerk's office.
Barry Perkins, Clerk10/25, 11/01

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#655
Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing regarding the petition of Lorin and Lorraine Motta, who are seeking a special permit under Section VIII D.9.a to allow conversion of a single family dwelling to a two family dwelling. Property is located at 5 Tilson Road, Assessors Plan 42A Lot 52. Public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, November 14, 1996 at 7:30 PM in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall.
Charles Wolf, Chairman 11/01, 11/08

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He's Back...

Starting this week and every week to follow we will be hiding the aardvark in *The Wanderer* once again.
For those of you not familiar with this practice, here's how it works. Each week we hide a little aardvark (shown above, actual size) somewhere in the newspaper (not counting the aardvark above). If you find him (or even if you don't) you can send in a postcard with your name, address, and phone number to the address below to enter our Aardvark Drawing! This week we are giving away an "I found the Aardvark" lapel pin.
Send entrees to:
Aardvark, P.O.. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739.

TRIVIALITIES

1. Which song team produced the score for *"Carousel"*?
2. Name the first fully professional (all paid players) baseball team.
3. Name the 1976 musical gangster spoof starring Scott Baio and Jodie Foster.
4. Who was Nelson Eddy's partner the musicals *"Naughty Marietta"* and *"Rose Marie"*?
5. The "Chelsea" look was originated by what London fashion designer?
6. True or false: Roger Moore played James Bond in *"Never Say Never Again."*
7. Name the family at the center of the TV drama *"Little House on the Prairie."*

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1. Rodgers and Hammerstein; 2. The Cincinnati Red Stockings; 3. *"Bugsy Malone"*; 4. Jeanette Macdonald; 5. Mary Quant; 6. False (Sean Connery did); 7. The Ingalls

NOTICE, MATTAPOISETT RESIDENTS
WATER MAIN FLUSHING

Water main flushing will be conducted October 21st, 1996 through November 8th, 1996.

Flushing will begin October 21st at 8:00 P.M. until 2:00 A.M.

Flushing will be continued October 22nd through November 8th during the daylight hours from 9:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M.

Discolored or red water may be expected along with periods of low water pressure in some areas.

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Superintendent 10/18, 10/25, 11/01

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Acushnet Sea Shell Steppers

The Acushnet Sea Shell Steppers' "Turkey Trot" Square and Round Dance will be held on Saturday, November 2 from 8:00 to 11:00 pm at the Acushnet Elementary School on Middle Road in Acushnet. The caller will be Jim Schell, the cuer will be Anna McDougall. Square Dance Classes are also held every Wednesday from 7:00 to 9:00 pm at the VFW Hall on Roosevelt Street. For further information, please call 995-2209 or 995-7204.

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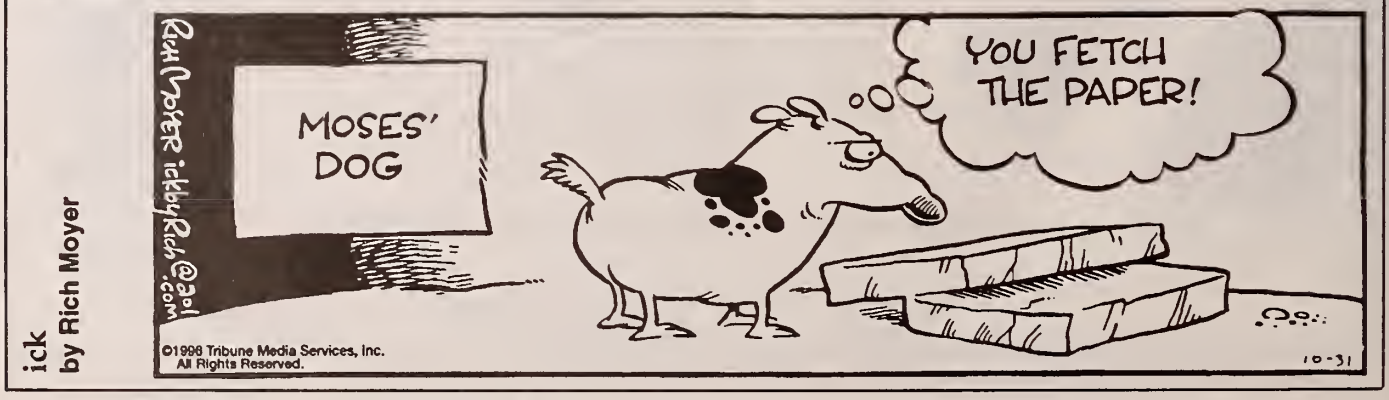
BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Jerome Beaulieu, who is seeking a variance from set back requirements under Section VIII B of Protective Bylaws. Property is located at 100 Robinson Road, Assessors plan 36, lot 3. Public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, November 14, 1996 at 7:30 PM in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall.
Charles Wolf, Chairman 10/25, 11/01

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Raymond Green, who is seeking a variance from set back requirements under Section VIII B of Protective Bylaws. Property is located at 95 County Road, Assessors plan 16 lot 19-I. Public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, November 14, 1996 at 7:45 PM in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall.
Charles Wolf, Chairman 10/25, 11/01



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Riverside Cemetery was made possible by Warren Delano, Jr., when he purchased 14 acres of land which was originally part of Jonathan Nye's estate. On November 16 the tour will be conducted by Christopher Richard, Director of Tourism for the Town of Fairhaven. A $2 donation is requested, which will be given to the Riverside Cemetery Fund. Please meet just inside the main gate of the cemetery to begin the tour. For details or reservations, please call Laura Pereira at 997-0046, extension 14.

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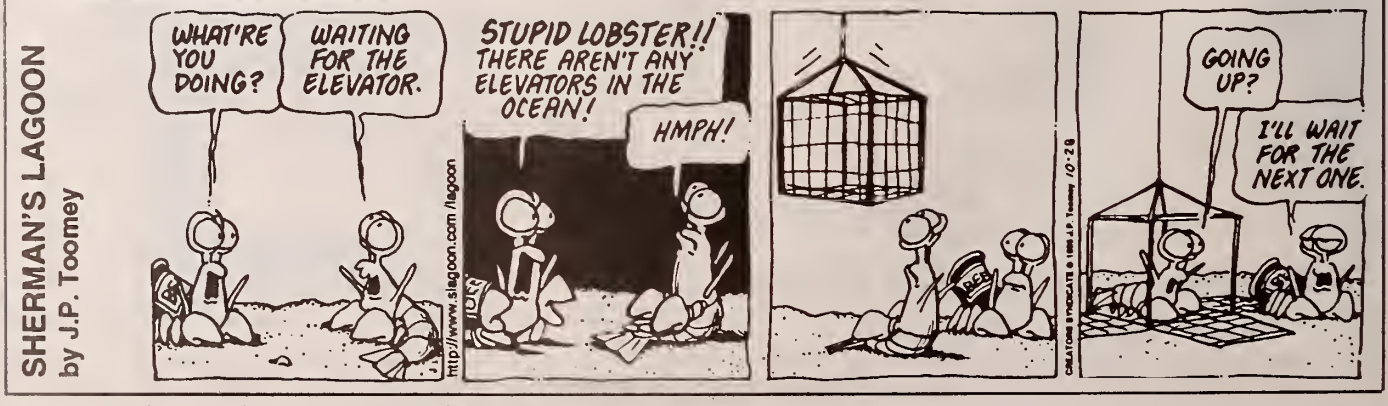

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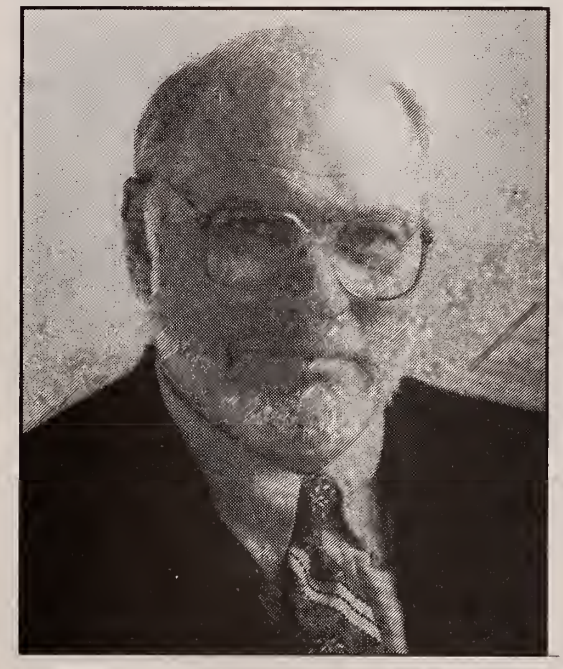

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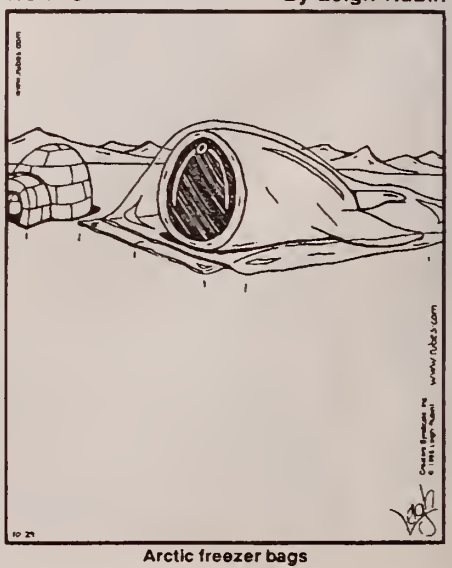

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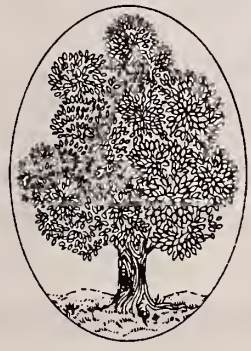

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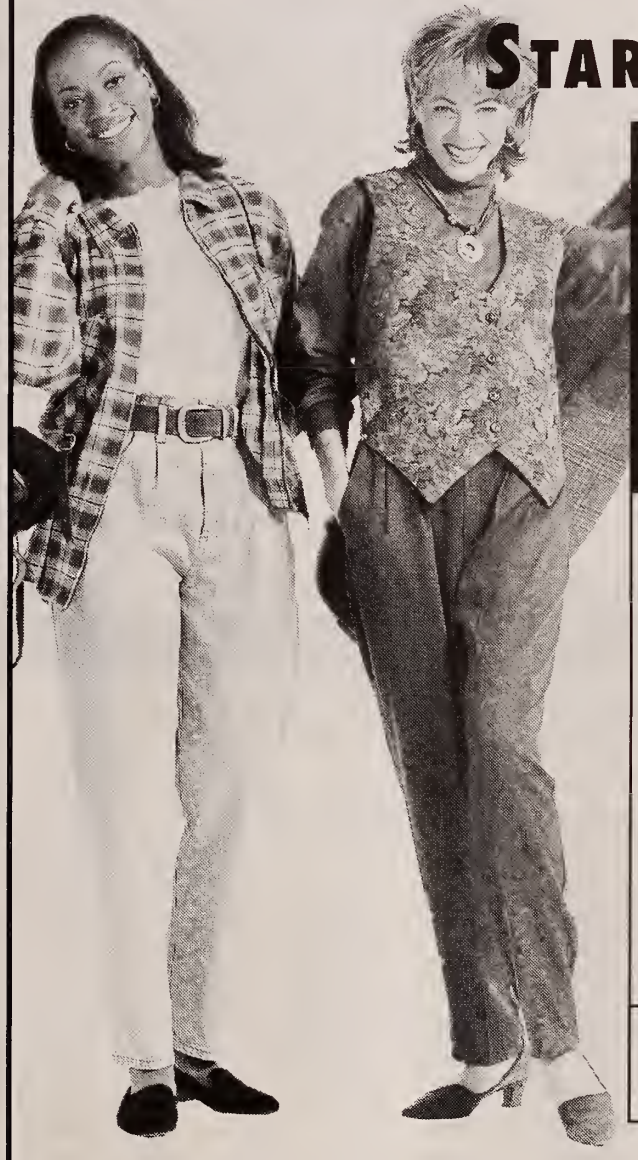

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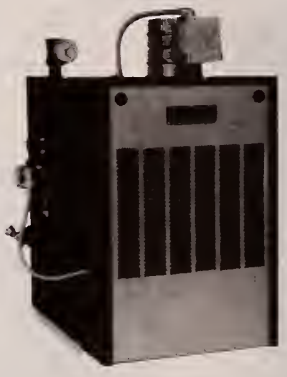

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November 3:	Sun.	1:16	1:39	6:14	7:01
November 4:	Mon.	2:14	2:35	7:21	8:05
November 5:	Tues.	3:08	3:29	8:35	9:04
November 6:	Wed.	3:59	4:18	9:39	9:53
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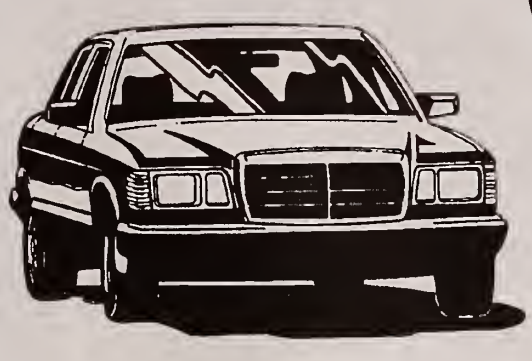

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